

**SALTBURN & MARSKE-BY-THE-SEA
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

1960 ANNUAL REPORT

by the

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and the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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SALTBURN AND MARSKE ANNUAL REPORT

To the Chairman and Members of Saltburn and Marske-by-the-Sea Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1960.

There are no outstanding features in the Report to which attention should be drawn, the general pattern being much the same as in previous years.

I should like to record my appreciation of the help I have received from the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee and from the Chief Officers of the Council. I should especially like to thank the Public Health Inspector for his excellent work in the area.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
P. S. R. BURRELL.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area (in acres)	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,082
Population (Registrar General's Estimate for mid-1960)	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,830
Number of Inhabited Houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,605
Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	...	...	£124,023
Product of a Penny Rate	...	...	...	...	...	...	£470

TABLE I

VITAL STATISTICS

		Male	Female	Total			
LIVE BIRTHS	...	141	140	281	Rate per 1,000 population	...	26.0
Legitimate	...	137	131	268			
Illegitimate	...	4	9	13	Corrected birth rate	...	24.2
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STILL BIRTHS							
Legitimate	...	1	3	4	Rate per 1,000 (live and		
Illegitimate	...	Nil	1	1	still) births	...	17.1

Deaths of infants under 1 year				Rate for 1,00 live births	...	17.6
of age	...	...	5	Rate per 1,000 legitimate live		
Deaths of legitimate infants				births	...	18.7
under 1 year of age	...	...	5	Rate per 1,000 illegitimate live		
Deaths of illegitimate infants				births	...	Nil
under 1 year of age	...	Nil		Maternal mortality rate	...	Nil
Maternal deaths	...	...	Nil			

Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total live births — 4.6%

Neonatal mortality rate — 10.7.

TABLE II

**DEATH RATES, ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY AND CASE RATES FOR
CERTAIN INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN THE YEAR 1960**

Rate for 1,000 Population

DEATHS

All Causes 11.2*	Whooping Cough 0.00	Diphtheria 0.00	Tuberculosis 0.10	Influenza 0.00	Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis) 0.00	Pneumonia 0.65
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NOTIFICATIONS

Typhoid Fever 0.00	Paratyphoid Fever 0.00	Meningococcal Infection 0.10	Scarlet Fever 0.10	Whooping Cough 1.76	Diphtheria 0.00	Tuberculosis 0.19
Erysipelas 0.00	Measles 14.68	Pneumonia 0.00	Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis) Paralytic 0.00		Food Poisoning 0.00	

* Corrected Death Rate

TABLE III

DEATHS FROM ALL CAUSES

					Male	Female
Tuberculosis, respiratory	...	...	...	...	1	—
Tuberculosis, other	...	...	...	...	—	—
Syphilitic disease	...	...	...	...	—	—
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	—	—
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	—	—
Meningococcal infections	...	...	...	...	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	...	...	...	...	—	—
Measles	...	...	...	...	—	—
Other infective and parasitic diseases	...	...	...	...	—	—
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	...	...	...	...	1	2
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	...	...	...	...	5	—
Malignant neoplasm, breast	...	...	...	...	—	2
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	...	...	...	...	—	—
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	...	...	...	...	2	3
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	...	...	...	...	3	—
Diabetes	...	...	...	...	—	—
Vascular lesions of nervous system	...	...	...	...	7	8
Coronary disease, angina	...	...	...	...	13	9
Hypertension with heart disease	...	...	...	...	1	1
Other heart disease	...	...	...	...	4	14
Other circulatory disease	...	...	...	...	2	3
Influenza	...	...	...	...	—	—
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	4	3
Bronchitis	...	...	...	...	5	—
Other diseases of respiratory system	...	...	...	...	—	1
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	...	...	...	...	1	—
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	...	...	...	...	—	—
Nephritis and nephrosis	...	...	...	...	1	—
Hyperplasia of prostate	...	...	...	...	—	—
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	...	...	...	...	—	—
Congenital malformations	...	...	...	...	1	—
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	...	...	...	...	1	6
Motor vehicle accidents	...	...	...	...	2	—
All other accidents	...	...	...	...	2	1
Suicide	...	...	...	...	—	—
Homicide and operations of war	...	...	...	...	—	—
					56	53

COMMENTARY

The population of the area has again increased due in the main to the new development at Marske, though there has also been new building at Saltburn.

The epidemic of measles which began in 1959 continued into 1960, a total of 158 cases being notified during the year. There are no other special features in the incidence of infectious disease. It is gratifying to be able to report once again that no case of diphtheria was notified during the year.

The number of infant deaths rose from two to five and the infant mortality rate from 9.3 to 17.6 per 1,000 live births. This cannot be regarded as of much significance in view of the relatively small population of the area and the small number of deaths involved.

The Meals on Wheels service organised by the W.V.S. has continued to operate through the year and has been of much benefit to aged persons who would otherwise receive an inadequate diet.

SALTBURN AND MARSKE

NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

			1960	1959	1958	1957
			Population	Population	Population	Population
			10,830	10,220	9,600	9,570
Scarlet Fever	...	...	1	0	2	0
Diphtheria	...	...	0	0	0	0
Enteric Fever	...	...	0	0	0	0
Paratyphoid	...	...	0	0	0	0
Measles	...	...	158	196	46	72
Whooping Cough	...	...	19	0	1	13
Puerperal Pyrexia	...	...	2	0	3	3
Erysipelas	...	...	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia	...	...	0	3	2	3
Meningococcal infection	...	...	1	1	0	1
Anterior Poliomyelitis	...	...	0	1	0	1
Acute Encephalitis	...	...	1	0	0	0
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	...	...	2	10	3	5
Other forms of Tuberculosis	...	...	0	1	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	...	...	0	0	0	1
Food Poisoning	...	...	0	2	0	0
Malaria	...	...	0	0	0	0
Dysentery	...	...	0	2	0	0

NOTIFICATIONS OF TUBERCULOSIS, 1960

Male Age Groups							Female Age Groups							
0-4	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	Over 65	Total	0-4	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	Over 65	Total	Total
1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	2

Both Pulmonary.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

		1960	1959	1958	1957
Primary Courses	...	182	159	126	129
Reinforcing Doses	...	66	110	76	100

WHOOPIING COUGH IMMUNISATION

	1960	1959	1958
	132	161	114

CLINIC FACILITIES IN THE AREA

ANTE-NATAL CLINICS:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Monday and Friday at 1-30 p.m.

(This Clinic is staffed by the Regional Hospital Board).

CHILD WELFARE SESSIONS:

Marske Church Hall Alternate Mondays at 2-00 p.m.

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Alternate Wednesdays at 2-00 p.m.

MINOR AILMENTS CLINIC:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Wednesday at 9-30 a.m.

IMMUNISATION SESSIONS:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Wednesday at 9-30 a.m. and alternate Wednesdays at 2-00 p.m.

Marske Church Hall. Alternate Mondays at 2-00 p.m.

OPHTHALMIC CLINICS:

The Clinic, 5 Turner Street, Redcar. By Appointment.

ORTHOPAEDIC CLINICS:

The Clinic, 5 Turner Street, Redcar. Second Tuesday in each month at 10-30 a.m. By Appointment.

DENTAL CLINICS:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. By Appointment.

FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION CLINIC:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Friday at 7-00 p.m.

HOUSING

Permanent Houses completed by Local Authority in 1960	...	...	22
Aged Persons' Houses completed by Local Authority in 1960	...	...	Nil
Permanent Houses completed by Private Builders in 1960	...	...	203
Permanent Houses under construction by Local Authority at end of year	...	...	40
Aged Persons' Houses under construction by Local Authority at end of year	...	...	12
Permanent Houses under construction by Private Builders at end of year	...	...	144

WATER SUPPLY

The whole of the area is served by the Tees Valley and Cleveland Water Board and the supply has been satisfactory in quality and quantity. Some trouble was experienced in the early months of the year from a brown deposit of alum floc which entered the supply at the filtration plant. This deposit, though harmless from the health point of view, was a source of some annoyance to householders. Suitable measures were taken by the Board and the trouble was largely overcome by the end of the year.

SEWERAGE

Almost the whole of the area is provided with a main sewerage system. Disposal is by two main sea outfalls at Saltburn and Marske and one smaller sea outfall near the boundary with the Borough of Redcar, which caters for part of the Longbeck area. The latter has been unsatisfactory for some years and the Council is preparing a scheme to abolish the need for this outfall and discharge the effluent into a new sewer which is being built to provide improved sewerage for the West of Marske.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 TO 1959

PART I OF THE ACTS

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of Inspections (3)	Number of Written Notices (4)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority	46	92	4
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	—	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	6	6	Nil
TOTAL	52	98	4

2. Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars (1)	Number of Found (2)	Cases in which Defects were found Remedied (3)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	2	2
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)		
(a) Insufficient	2	2
(b) Unsuitable or Defective	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—
TOTAL	4	4

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the Year 1960

N. R. DARLING, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.
CERTIFIED MEAT INSPECTOR

To the Chairman and Members of the Saltburn and Marske-by-the-Sea Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit my fourteenth annual report on the sanitary conditions of the district for the year ending 31st December, 1960.

The staff of the department consists of one full-time Shorthand Typist/Clerk and a full-time Rodent Operator.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF THE PREPARATION AND SALE OF FOOD

Regular inspections have been made of cafes, hotel kitchens, ice cream premises, food shops and stalls for the purpose of enforcing the requirements of the Food and Drugs Acts, Food Hygiene Regulations and Byelaws.

During the year 55 notices were served in respect of breaches of the Food Hygiene Regulations.

The following articles of food, other than fresh meat, were surrendered to me during the year and classified as unfit for human consumption:—

					lbs.	ozs.
Tinned Goods	...	...	...	...	381	4
Bacon	...	...	...	...	3	0
1 Packet of Suet	...	...	...	...		8
1 Jar of Gherkins	...	...	...	...
1 Steak and Kidney Pie	...	...	...	...
12 Fish Cakes	...	...	...	...
1 Jar of Cream	...	...	...	...
1 Jar of Potted Beef	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...	384	12

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

There are three licensed slaughterhouses in the district and during the year a total of 925 visits were made for the purpose of inspecting meat following slaughter. The carcasses and organs of 3,263 animals were inspected and the total weight of meat classified as unfit for human consumption was 701 lbs.

The mutual aid scheme with Skelton and Brotton and Loftus Urban District Councils worked satisfactorily during the year. The Public Health Inspectors from Skelton and Brotton and Loftus made 37 visits to this area, whilst I made 7 visits to Skelton and Brotton Urban District for the purpose of meat inspection only.

Meat was condemned for the following reasons:

						lbs.
Cirrhosis	...	...	...	...	...	387
Abscesses	...	...	...	...	...	128
Septicaemia	...	...	...	...	...	90
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	...	64
Telangiectasis		...	...	...	...	14
Spotted Liver		...	...	...	...	14
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	...	4
Total						701

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or in Part :

				Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number Killed	...	...	...	663	79	53	1,863	605	—
Number Inspected	...	...	...	663	79	53	1,863	605	—
All Diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci :									
Whole Carcases Condemned	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	1	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was Condemned	...	...	...	60	2	—	—	2	—
Percentage of Number Inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	...	...	...	9.05	2.5	—	—	0.49	—
Tuberculosis only :									
Whole Carcases Condemned	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was Condemned	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	9	—
Percentage of Number Inspected affected with Tuberculosis	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	1.57	—
Cysticercosis	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—

MILK SUPPLIES

No complaints were received during the year with regard to milk supplies in the area.

There are four premises in the area which are registered as dairies.

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) REGULATIONS

The issue of licences under these regulations has been transferred to the North Riding County Council.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Certificates of Registration have been granted under Section 16 of the above Act for the sale of ice-cream and the manufacture of sausage, etc.

Sale of Ice Cream	...	...	...	54
Manufacture of Pickled, Pressed or Preserved Food and Sausage, including Fried Fish Shops	...	...	...	16

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1958

There are six licences to slaughter animals in force; during the year three new licences were issued and three licences were renewed.

SHELLFISH REGULATIONS

An Order is in force prohibiting the sale of shellfish collected on the foreshore for human consumption and notices are exhibited on the approaches to the area where the shellfish are found.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959

There are 52 premises on the Register of the Local Authority. During the year 98 visits were made to these premises and 4 notices were served in respect of Breaches of the Regulations with regard to cleanliness and sanitary conveniences.

LIST OF DEFECTS

Leaking and Defective Roofs	...	...	...	51
Loose and Missing Slates to Roofs	...	...	...	38
Defective and Dangerous Chimney Stacks	...	...	...	25
Defective and Perished Brickwork	...	...	...	88
Defective and Perished Pointing	...	...	...	92
Defective and Dangerous Walls	...	...	...	41
Defective and Dangerous Outbuildings	...	...	...	10
Absence of and Defective Eavesgutters	...	...	...	36
Absence of and Defective Downpipes	...	...	...	34
Absence of and Defective Drainage	...	...	...	28
Choked Drainage	...	...	...	16
Absence of and Defective Manholes	...	...	...	1
Absence of and Defective Gullies	...	...	...	2
Broken and Defective Paving	...	...	...	24
Absence of Damp-Proof Courses	...	...	...	3
Broken and Defective Steps	...	...	...	7
Defective Paintwork Externally	...	...	...	10
Absence of Water Closets	...	...	...	16
Insanitary Pail Closets	...	...	...	12
Defective Water Closets	...	...	...	9
Absence of Bathrooms	...	...	...	35
Absence of Wash-Hand Basins	...	...	...	33
Defective Wash-Hand Basins	...	...	...	2
Defective Taps	...	...	...	1
Absence of Hot Water Supply	...	...	...	37
Absence of Piped Water Supply	...	...	...	12
Defective Water Cylinders	...	...	...	1
Absence of Ventilated Food Stores	...	...	...	30
Absence of Scullery	...	...	...	2
Absence of Kitchen	...	...	...	1
Absence of Sinks	...	...	...	10
Defective Sinks	...	...	...	1
Absence of or Insufficient Natural Lighting	...	...	...	21
Absence of or Insufficient Artificial Lighting	...	...	...	8
Absence of or Insufficient Ventilation	...	...	...	7
Damp Walls	...	...	...	168
Defective and Perished Plaster	...	...	...	4
Defective Ceilings	...	...	...	28
Loose or Defective Windows	...	...	...	17
Absence of Windows	...	...	...	1
Defective Doors and Gates	...	...	...	27
Defective and Rotting Woodwork	...	...	...	27
Defective Floors	...	...	...	50
Defective Overflows	...	...	...	1

Defective Fireplaces and Kitchen Ranges	...	26
Defective Electric Power Points and Wiring	...	2
Absence of or Defective Clothes Posts	...	1
Nuisances	...	4
Accumulation of Refuse	...	4
Dirty Premises	...	3
Offensive Smells	...	1
Breaches of Building Byelaws	...	4
Breaches of Factories Acts	...	1
Breaches of Food Hygiene Regulations	...	55
Breaches of the Agriculture (Safety, Health and Welfare Provision) Act, 1956	...	6
Infestations of Insects	...	3
Infestation of Rats	...	1
Applications for Licences to Use Land as Sites for Moveable Dwellings	...	4
		<hr/> 1,182 <hr/>

LICENSED PREMISES

Visits have been made to all licensed premises in the area for the purpose of checking sanitary accommodation, washing facilities and general conditions under the Food and Drugs Act and Food Hygiene Regulations.

TENTS, VANS AND SHEDS

There are two licensed sites in the area, the larger being under the control of the Local Authority and providing accommodation for approximately 400 caravans and a small site which has accommodation for four caravans.

The sites are provided with washing facilities, piped water supply, waste water drainage and water closets.

Two applications were received and granted for permission to station caravans in connection with the fairground at Old Saltburn.

SHOPS ACT

Inspections have been made of shops in the area for the purpose of checking the adequacy of sanitary and washing accommodation.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

The Council employs a full-time Rodent Operator and herewith is a tabulated statement of the work carried out during the year. These services are provided free to householders and a charge is made to business premises.

These services are being increasingly used by the ratepayers, who do not hesitate to call for assistance.

	Type of Property				
	Non-Agricultural				(5) Agricultural
	(1) Local Authority	(2) Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses)	(3) All other including Business Premises	(4) Total of Cols. (1) (2) and (3)	
1. No. of Properties in Local Authority's District ...	15	3,970	324	4,309	13
2. No. of Properties Inspected as a result of :					
(a) Notification ...	—	25	4	29	—
(b) Survey under the Act ...	15	549	50	614	6
(c) Otherwise (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose) ...	—	—	—	—	—
3. Total Inspections carried out including re-inspections	30	1,064	143	1,237	20
4. No. of Properties Inspected (in Section 2) which were found to be infested by :					
(a) Rats—Major ...	1	1	—	1	1
Rats—Minor ...	1	17	1	19	—
(b) Mice—Major ...	—	—	—	—	—
Mice—Minor ...	4	34	2	40	—
5. No. of Infested Properties (in Section 4) Treated by Local Authority ...	6	51	3	60	1

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

The Council are members of the National Society for Clean Air and the Tees-side Clean Air Committee.

Two deposit gauges are in use in the area, one being sited at Marske-by-the-Sea in the garden of "Ivy House," by kind permission of Dr. P. A. Walshaw and one in the Police Station Grounds at Saltburn-by-the-Sea by kind permission of the Chief Constable.

Herewith are tables showing the results for the twelve months together with wind records for the period.

During the year two complaints were received with regard to nuisances from smoke from domestic premises, the chimney stacks in both cases were extended and the nuisance reduced. Six complaints were received with regard to nuisances from the burning of waste wood at joineries.

Twelve observations were made during the year on the coal-fired boiler in the area and no nuisances were observed.

During the year a mobile exhibition, organised by the Solid Smokeless Fuels Federation was in the area and the attendance was satisfactory.

MARSKE GAUGE

		PH Value	Undissolved Matter (Tons/sq.Mile)	Dissolved Matter (Tons/sq.Mile)	Total Solids Collected (Tons/sq.Mile)	Rainfall in Inches
January	...	6.5	4.14	16.83	20.97	4.34
February	...	6.8	2.81	3.67	6.48	1.49
March	...	6.6	3.16	3.66	6.82	0.98
April	...	6.3	5.30	2.86	8.16	0.41
May	...	6.4	4.81	2.96	7.77	0.86
June	...	6.5	4.51	1.80	6.31	0.21
July	...	6.2	6.51	6.20	12.71	5.33
August	...	6.1	7.51	3.67	11.18	1.83
September	...	6.6	3.47	3.51	6.98	2.72
October	...	6.5	5.21	5.61	10.82	5.43
November	...	6.3	4.26	4.38	8.64	2.82
December	...	6.7	4.54	5.48	10.02	2.65
Average	...	6.4	4.68	5.05	9.73	2.42

SALTBURN GAUGE

		PH Value	Undissolved Matter (Tons/sq.Mile)	Dissolved Matter (Tons/sq.Mile)	Total Solids Collected (Tons/sq.Mile)	Rainfall in Inches
January	...	6.5	5.38	21.30	26.68	4.60
February	...	6.4	6.01	3.21	9.22	1.92
March	...	6.3	6.18	4.15	10.33	1.11
April	...	6.7	5.24	2.27	7.51	0.59
May	...	6.6	4.38	3.34	7.72	0.89
June	...	6.5	5.65	2.18	7.83	0.27
July	...	6.5	8.72	6.77	15.49	5.25
August	...	6.4	7.49	4.11	11.60	1.92
September	...	6.3	4.51	3.22	7.73	2.76
October	...	6.5	4.20	4.22	8.42	5.41
November	...	6.5	5.76	6.19	11.95	3.20
December	...	6.5	4.01	8.05	12.06	2.70
Average	...	6.4	5.62	5.75	11.37	2.55

SALTBURN GAUGE — "LONG ANALYSIS"

	Total Undissolved Matter Dried at 100°C	Total Dissolved Matter Dried at 100°C	Total Solids Collected Dried at 100°C	Tarry Matter Soluble in Carbon Di-Sulphide	Ash	Combustible Matter Insoluble in Carbon Di-Sulphide	Sulphates as SO ₄ in Dissolved Solids
March	6.18	4.15	10.33	0.03	4.04	2.11	1.54
June	5.65	2.18	7.83	0.07	4.18	1.40	0.77
September	4.51	3.22	7.73	0.10	2.81	1.60	1.17
December	4.01	8.05	12.06	0.07	2.40	1.54	2.87
Average	5.09	4.40	9.49	0.07	3.36	1.66	1.59

WIND RECORDS — TOTAL HOURS

	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm	No. Record
January	116.5	84.0	51.0	23.5	124.0	115.0	78.0	114.5	31.5	6.0
February	41.0	34.5	5.5	29.5	151.5	201.0	78.0	66.0	17.5	71.5
March	32.0	190.0	124.0	188.5	121.0	61.0	6.5	13.0	8.0	—
April	104.0	121.5	13.0	33.0	87.0	158.5	76.0	83.0	20.0	24.0
May	111.0	147.5	98.5	7.5	97.5	188.5	82.5	17.5	11.5	—
June	103.5	83.5	47.5	16.5	87.5	228.0	105.0	33.5	15.0	—
July	73.0	37.0	33.5	12.0	179.0	270.5	89.5	34.0	13.5	2.0
August	119.5	65.5	55.5	8.0	152.5	192.0	81.5	49.0	8.5	12.0
September	57.0	57.0	71.5	61.0	184.5	148.5	54.5	52.0	15.0	19.0
October	72.0	131.5	122.0	75.5	67.0	46.0	19.0	133.5	27.5	50.0
November	42.0	11.5	13.5	11.0	225.5	276.0	62.5	56.5	21.5	—
December	68.0	16.5	9.0	1.5	57.0	357.0	114.0	68.5	52.5	—
Average	78.3	81.7	53.7	38.9	127.8	186.8	70.6	60.1	20.2	15.4

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

One licence issued under the above Act was renewed during the year. The premises registered were visited regularly and no breaches of the Act were found during the year.

HOUSING

During 1960, 44 tenants were selected for Council Houses and 8 tenants for elderly persons' accommodation.

During the year 17 applications were received from tenants for exchanges of Council Houses and one application was received for permission to take lodgers.

The Annual Check was carried out on the Housing List and the results were as follows:—

No. of Applicants on the Housing List	...	...	166
No. of Applicants from whom no reply was received or letter was returned "Address Unknown"	...	...	61
No. of Applicants Remaining on the Housing List			105

These figures show a reduction of seven on the number of applicants for the previous year.

During the year the Council erected 18 units for housing accommodation.

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACTS, 1958 — AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959

Five applications were received for Discretionary Grants and were agreed by the Council.

THE HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959 STANDARD GRANTS

Thirty-five applications were received for Standard Grants during the year and these were approved by the Council.

HOUSING REPAIRS AND RENTS ACT, 1954

One Certificate of Disrepair, which remained in force at the end of 1959, still remained in force at the end of 1960.

HOUSING STATISTICS

Number of Houses Completed in 1960 :—

(a)	Council	...	...	...	...	18
(b)	Other	...	...	...	...	203

1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR :

(1)	(a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health Acts)	...	...	...	70
	(b)	Number of Inspections made for the purpose	...	...	...	155
(2)		Number of dwelling-houses found not to be in all respects reasonable fit for human habitation	...	...	...	70

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES :

(1)	Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of action by the Local Authority or their Officers	...	70
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses where work is in progress but not yet complete	...	—
(3)	Number of Notices in course of preparation (not yet served)	...	—
(4)	Number of Notices outstanding	...	—

3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR :

Proceedings under Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Housing Act, 1957 :

(1)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	...	16
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	...	14
(3)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made	...	2

4. HOUSING ACT, 1957 — OVERCROWDING :

(a)	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	4
(b)	(1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	4
	(2) Number of persons concerned in such cases	17
(c)	Particulars of cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	Nil

SANITARY ADMINISTRATION

Herewith is a tabulated statement of the inspections made during the twelve months under review.

Total Number of Inspections	...	...	...	2,378
Total Number of Nuisances and Defects Found	...	...	...	1,182
Total Number of Nuisances and Defects Abated	...	...	...	1,162
Total Number of Informal Notices	...	...	...	143
Total Number of Statutory Notices	...	...	...	—
Total Number of Informal Notices Complied with	...	...	...	137
Total Number of Statutory Notices Complied with	...	...	...	—
Total Number of Informal Notices Outstanding	...	...	...	6

I wish to express my appreciation to the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Health and Housing Committee, and Councillors for supporting me in my work during the year; I would also thank the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. P. S. R. Burrell, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., for the encouragement and advice he has given me during the year.

I wish, also to express my thanks to the Clerk of the Council, the Engineer and Surveyor, and Officials and Staff of the Council for their co-operation during the year.

I am,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

N. R. DARLING,
Public Health Inspector,
and Housing Officer.

